#### **CHAPTER NO. 812**

# **SENATE BILL NO. 2064**

## By Henry

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2112

By Buck, McMillan

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-26-223, for the purpose of clarifying that persons or companies who provide investigative services exclusively to and under the supervision of attorneys-at-law and who do not advertise to the general public as private investigators or investigations companies are exempt from the licensing requirements for private investigators and investigations companies.

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-26-223(b), is amended by deleting subdivision (3) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

# (3)(A) An attorney-at-law; or

- (B) An employee of a single attorney or single law firm, who is acting within the scope of his employment for the attorney or law firm; or
- (C) A consultant when such person is retained by an attorney or appointed by a court to make tests, conduct experiments, draw conclusions, render opinions, or make diagnoses, where such services require the use of training or experience in a technical, scientific or social science field.
- (D) These exceptions do not apply to any person or company who otherwise provides or offers to provide investigative services as described in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-26-202(6).
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-26-223(b), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:
  - (8) Any person duly licensed by the State of Tennessee in another profession while said person is engaged in activities within the scope of that profession.
- SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 17, 2000

JOHN S. WILDER

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER DUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May 2000

DON SONDQUIST, GOVERNOR